

CONGRESS REFUSES TO SHELVE BONUS, AS HARDING WISHES

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going ahead. To the average observer this must seem a curious state of affairs, but the truth is the members of Congress do not share the pessimism of the officials in the executive branch of the Government.

They expect the country somehow to carry the burden and they insist, especially in their private talks on the subject, that the refunding operations of the Government are being carried on much more smoothly than the public knows and that the financial capacity of the Nation to absorb the new debt is greater than is commonly supposed. It is true that the Government has managed since the armistice to reduce the public debt by more than three billions of dollars, so that an increase of four billions will leave the country more or less in the same position as it was when the war ended.

No amount of argument from the executive or his advisers can budge Congress. Its mind is set and the votes are pledged. The rest is purely perfunctory.

Both Democrats and Republicans are afraid to antagonize the soldier vote, and yet they know that the passage of the Adjusted Compensation Bill will just about kill all hope of a reduction of taxes in the next five or six years, as the sums needed for the bill are progressively increased until 1928, when the estimated expense will be \$870,000,000. Besides this, the Government faces a deficit in the coming year of nearly \$400,000,000. The soldier element feels that economies can be best made in other directions, however, and that the soldier should get his compensation, which the American Legion spokesmen say has been too long delayed.

The Republicans will suffer most from their act. They will no doubt earn the gratitude of the soldiers, but when election time rolls around every two years the fact that taxes are high will be an increasing cause of discontent. The Democrats on the other hand have been afraid the Republicans might dodge the issue and leave the problem to a Democratic Congress. That's why the Democrats have been so active in Senate and House in forcing the measure through. The Soldier Bonus Bill could not override a Presidential veto without substantial aid from Democrats.

The Democrats will profit politically by what the Republicans are doing. Many Republicans concede this, but see no way of curing the situation, for the immediate danger which confronts them is the soldier vote which they feel should not be antagonized with in a few weeks of Congressional election. They prefer to take their chances on other forms of discontent later on and meet each political problem when it becomes acute.

BONUS THIS WEEK, MACNIDER SAYS

Legion Commander Declares Senators Are Pledged.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—Hartford MacNider, National Commander of the American Legion, declared in a statement to-day a personal canvass of the Bonus Bill situation showed "a majority in the Senate, including both parties, favors the bill and is pledged for its passage."

Mr. MacNider predicted the Bonus Bill, which is slated for Senate consideration, beginning Wednesday, would be passed by the Senate this week, and added:

"The American Legion has absolute confidence in the good faith and integrity of the Senators pledged to vote for the bill. It realizes they believe in the justice of the cause of the soldier and knows they will keep the faith they have pledged and pass the bill now."

JOHNSTOWN "FLOOD" WAS VERY, VERY DRY

Not an Arrest; Many Vain Calls for "Real Thing."

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 21.—Major Joseph Canfield's invitation to saloon-keepers and brewers to sell "real beer and ale" failed to bring a flood of pre-Prohibition beverages in Johnstown, according to reports to-day. E. A. Spragg, dry agent in this district, reported his seven-aides had made no arrests, and he thought the brewers and saloon owners were "too wise to run afoul of the Federal laws."

Saloons and "soft drink" establishments reported record sales Saturday, patrons in most cases ordering "the real article."

Mayor Canfield was silent, but his smile indicated that he was well pleased with the situation.

GIRL OF 16 DROWNS UNDER EYES OF FATHER

Struggles Nearly Drown Man Attempting Rescue.

Miss Elizabeth Mautner, sixteen, No. 1217 Franklin Avenue, the Bronx, was drowned in the Rahway River, late yesterday afternoon.

Miss Mautner and her father had visited the old dock near the Rahway Yacht Club where several snapshots were taken of the girl by her father. She slipped from the wharf into the stream. James Stevens of Barnett Street jumped into the water with his father and succeeded in getting the girl, but in her struggles she nearly drowned Stevens, who was compelled to have blood. The body was recovered.

Fourth Week's Winners In "What Did You See?" Contest Get Their Prizes

One Will Use \$100 in Getting Married; Other Will Improve New Home.

Following is the list of the winners of the fourth week's Capital Prizes in The Evening World's "What Did You See To-Day?" contest. The selections were made from 600 successful contributors:

First Prize, \$100—JOHN HARFIELD, No. 619 East 182d Street, Bronx.

Second Prize, \$50—MRS. S. M. CASE, Gramatan Court, Bronxville.

Third Prize, \$25—CATHERINE BENDER, No. 324 Terrace Avenue, Jersey City.

Fourth Prize, \$10—M. PEREZ, No. 117 Park Row.

The story that won the first prize was presented Tuesday, Aug. 15, and was as follows:

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE IT.

Near the Erie Basin to-day I saw a coal barge being loaded from the steamship Sunnyside at Pier 46, Brooklyn. Aft on the barge were the living quarters of the Captain, his wife and their three children. The barefooted and ragged children were playing in the dust and grime and through the door of the unpainted, grimy cabin I could see the Captain's wife cooking dinner for the family. They all looked happy and contented, and I wondered how they could be in such an environment when my eye saw painted on the wall of the cabin in crude letters: "Home, Sweet Home."

—John Harfield, No. 619 E. 182d Street, Bronx, care Oliveri.

John Harfield, winner of the \$100 first prize, was elated to learn of his success. It was after several efforts that he finally won, declared his sister, Mrs. John Oliveri, with whom he makes his home at No. 619 East 182d Street, the Bronx, and who acted as his spokesman. Mr. Harfield formerly served in the 17th Infantry on the other side during the World War. Now he is engaged as wireless operator on one of the Shipping Board vessels. To-day he leaves for a six months' cruise with foodstuffs for the starving Russians.

"If you don't succeed at first, try again," has always been Mr. Harfield's motto. After sending in several contributions he finally was selected as the winner. The \$100, according to his sister, will go into the bank now. When he returns from his trip it will be put to good advantage, as he hopes to be married then.

The story winning the second prize was printed on Saturday, Aug. 19, as follows:

WHY "TEDDY" ISN'T GOING TO CONNECTICUT.

I saw a notice tacked up in our Village Hall—which also serves as Police Station, Public Library, Post Office and Court House—reading as follows: "Wanted—A good home for a thoroughbred fox-terrier puppy, ten months old." As we are moving next week to Connecticut, I shall want a dog and I thought a fox-terrier would be a good playmate for my small boy of ten; so on reaching home I telephoned to the advertiser, a lady, who explained that she was devoted to her Teddy, but found him a great care and tie living in an apartment, and felt that she really ought to give him up to folks who could give him more room and more play. Finally she said she would think it over and would bring the dog to see us. Well, I told Red, and we were greatly excited over the prospect. . . . Shortly after luncheon there was a ring at the door, and I received a young woman who introduced herself as the owner of Teddy. "Did you bring him?" I asked, looking eagerly behind her. "No," she faltered, "when I began to consider the thing calmly I just COULDN'T do it. I'm afraid I shall have to go on being tied down. He is a care, but we have no children and I DO love him. . . . So, that's that, and we are still hunting a combination watchdog-playmate."—Mrs. S. M. Case, Gramatan Court, Bronxville, N. Y.

The second prize winner is Mrs. S. M. Case, wife of Henry J. Case, Gramatan Court, Bronxville. Mrs. Case was delighted when informed of her good fortune, and declared it was very encouraging as it was her first venture, although she had been on the alert watching for material ever since the "What Did You See?" contest started.

Mrs. Case said she would continue her active interest in the contest and help along her two sons, who are also ever on the lookout for a good contribution.

Mrs. Case, who is shortly moving into her own home in Darien, Conn., will make some addition to it with the prize money she received. Between her sons and herself she is looking forward to more prizes and more additions for their new home.

The third prize story, printed on Monday, Aug. 14, is here reprinted:

THE NIGHT BEFORE PAY DAY.

In the evening I visited Columbia Amusement Park on the Hudson Boulevard at North Bergen. Eight or ten young couples stood at the entrance to the dancing pavilion looking in at the dancers. My attention was drawn to three young men and a like number of girls who stood near me chatting together merrily. Presently a young fiddler, who appeared to be the leader of the feminine trio, turned to her young man and said, "Are you coming?" He turned to the other two. Their decision was, "No, no, not



JOHN HARFIELD, WINNER OF \$100 PRIZE.



MRS. S. M. CASE, WINNER OF \$50 PRIZE.

to-night." Thereupon the young ladies stepped up to the cashier's booth, where each placed on the shelf the price of one admission. When the girls were out of sight the young men enjoyed a laugh. I nearly dropped when presently I saw them go to the same cashier's booth and buy single admissions to the pavilion.—Catherine Bender, No. 324 Terrace Avenue, Jersey City Heights.

Friday, Aug. 18, marked the publication of the story that won the fourth prize, here reproduced:

"THAT'S THE WAY THE MONEY GOES."

Finding myself in Jamaica, L. I., late at night, with a business appointment in the neighborhood for the following morning, I inquired about hotels and was directed to a frame structure—an old landmark, perhaps—on the main street. Approaching it, I saw a crowd studying the sign out in front: "Jamaica's Safest Stopping Place! Our Patrons Are Protected From Fire, Property Loss, &c., by Special Service at a Cost to the Taxpayers of \$500 a Month!" I mounted the stairs and, by questioning this one and that one, learned that ever since a raid of four months ago a special detail of Hyman policemen had been assigned there. The advertising appears to be beneficial, for the house was filled to capacity.—M. Perez, No. 117 Park Row.

RAID REVEALS PLOT IN RAIL STRIKE; IS LINKED WITH WRECK

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Drove into the documents found in Foster's office disclosed a memorandum book labeled "credentials list," bearing more than 100 names of persons to whom "credentials" of the league had been given.

There were listed among others: Joseph E. Jones of the United Mine Workers of Christopher, Ill.; E. Curtis Ilkenhaus of the Jewelers' Union of Hamilton, Ill.; L. K. England of Moline, Ill., who was among the Communists convicted with William Gross Lloyd, wealthy leader of the Communist Party, and Hulet M. Wells, well-known labor leader of Seattle, Wash.

Frequent allusion was made to the work of the league among railroad workers. Several letters were from radical leaders in England and Germany.

Railroad officials said that the Michigan Central express train had been deliberately derailed by plotters. Twenty-seven spikes were removed from ties and rails loosened, they said. The express train was running five hours late and an hour ahead of the fastest New York-Chicago limited. It carried no passengers. It was believed the following limited train was intended to be wrecked.

The raid on Foster's headquarters was planned after hurried communications with authorities in a dozen other rail centers where disorders have occurred and where meetings of railroad men have been addressed by radical leaders.

Detectives battered down the door. Inside they seized files, card indexes, books, pamphlets and pictures of Lenin and Trotsky, carrying off a truckload, including a complete list of meetings held by Foster. It was said.

Foster is said to have come to Chicago following his expulsion from Col-

orado. From here, it was said, he went to Joliet, where Sheriff Newkirk was wounded and two men killed in a rail strike riot two weeks ago. Yesterday two sticks of dynamite were found on the Pennsylvania tracks in Chicago by a policeman. Twenty minutes after he picked up the explosives a fast passenger train dashed by.

Detectives questioned numerous

strikers to-day in the search for clues. One man was arrested when he is alleged to have said: "It's a shame they were not all killed."

A reward of \$1,000 immediately was offered by Henry Shero, General Superintendent of the road, for the arrest of persons responsible for the wreck.

The engineer and fireman were killed and two express messengers in-

jured in the wreck.

An investigation by Martin Quinn, special agent of the road, revealed that while the roadbed had been ground into an unrecognizable mass from the spot where the train had left the rails, enough remained at the place where the engine had been thrown from its course to furnish evidence of the work of the train-wreckers.

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